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TO AMEMBASSY LOME

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EMIN, PFOR, TO

SUBJECT: TOGOLESE PHOSPHATE: W.R. GRACE REPORTS TAKEOVER

THREAT

REF: A. DICKINSON-LOUGHTRAN LETTER OF DECEMBER 8, 1973;

B. LOME 2237.

1. W.R. GRACE'S WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE FLANNAGAN REPORTS W.R. GRACE HAS BEEN INFORMED FROM PARIS THAT TOGOLESE GOVERNMENT HAS THREATENED TAKEOVER CTMB, UNLESS CTMB AGREES PASS ON TO GOVERNMENT ENTIRE BENEFIT RECENT PHOSPHATE PRICE INCREASE, I.E. DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DLS 15 AND DLS 42 PER METRIC TON.

2. FLANNAGAN SAYS THIS DEMAND POSTDATES TOGOLESE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL 5 PERCENT EXPORT TAX PAYMENT DESCRIBED REFERENCES.

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3. REQUEST EMBASSY SEEK CONFIRMATION THIS REPORT FROM

LOCAL CTMB OFFICIALS. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY FLANNAGAN HAS RECEIVED DISTORTED ACCOUNT OF GOT REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL 5 PERCENT EXPORT TAX PAYMENT. RUSH

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